

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: An Exploding Blowgun Projectile

Other known title(s): Exploding Blowgun Projectile

OFLC ref: 1800622.024

Medium: Text File

Publisher: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: English

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification:	Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.
------------------------	---

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 10 May 2019

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 10 May 2019

Summary of reasons for decision:

'An Exploding Blowgun Projectile' is a short text file that lists the materials required, and basic instructions to make and use an exploding blowgun projectile. The document does not state the possible risks that could come from the manufacture and use of this device and there is serious risk of injury to anyone blindly following these instructions. Some of the materials listed are subject to licence, of which one must be at least 18 years old to obtain. Although the document does not intend for the device to be used as a weapon, there is the possibility that it could be made with malicious intent. A high level of maturity is required to recognise the dangers in handling these materials and using a projectile device. For these reasons, 'An Exploding Blowgun Projectile' is restricted to those aged 18 and over. This is a limit on the right to freedom of expression but it is reasonable and justified in order to prevent injury to the public good.